Bulletin #2015-003 12 – November - 2015

Subject:
Restart Stage Time Penalty and Production Category Wiring

Overview:
Effective 1/1/2016, the following rule changes will go into effect.

1. Replace Article 8.2.F.2 with the following:

   2. The time penalty above will be added to the ~~fastest~~ stage time as follows:

      a. For B-Spec Championship eligible cars; the class leading ~~fastest~~ B-Spec Championship eligible car's time for that stage or the bogey time for that stage if there are no other remaining B-Spec eligible cars.

      b. For all other 2WD Championship eligible cars; the class leading ~~fastest~~ 2WD Championship eligible car's time for that stage or the bogey time for that stage if there are no other remaining 2WD eligible cars.

      c. For SP Championship eligible cars; the class leading ~~fastest~~ SP Championship eligible car's time for that stage or the bogey time for that stage if there are no other remaining SP eligible cars.

      d. For all other cars, the fastest overall time for that stage.

      The "class leading" car is the one that, based only on stage times, leads its class at the restart point.

   Rationale: This change is being made in order to avoid a reduction in the restart penalty that can occur when leading competitors are exchanging fast times or when competitors are still running, but are suffering some kind of problem and putting in unusually slow times.

2. Add the following paragraph to Article 10.2.B.16.

   Engine and chassis wiring harnesses are free as long as the OE windows, heater blower motor and electrical equipment required under Article 6.4 still function.

   Rationale: Rules requiring OE wiring harnesses are becoming increasingly difficult to enforce in newer cars based on CAN bus control modules, so the rule is being changed to focus on basic functionality instead.

3. Replace Article 10.2.B.23.b with the following.

   b. In Super Production, a Model Year 2002-2015 Subaru Impreza WRX may use a stock six-speed transmission, center diff, and final drives from a US specification 2004-2015 Subaru Impreza STI.

   Rationale: This is a simple update to the model years.

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